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## ABSTRACT:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a printer server for allowing a transmitter

to surely and efficiently transmit an electronic mail to a receiving

1 individual.

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SOLUTION: The network transmitting and receiving part 1b of a printer server

1 confirms whether or not an electronic mail to a prescribed electronic mail address destination stored in a storage part 1a arrives by performing access to

a mail server at a prescribed time interval in response to a control part 1d. When the electronic mail arrives, the network transmitting and receiving part 1b reads the above according to an instruction of the control part 1d. Then, a printer transmitting and receiving part 1c operates code conversion so that the

read electronic mail can be decoded by a printer, and outputs this to a printer port according to an instruction of the control part 1d. A printer connected with the printer port prints the electronic mail, and this electronic mail is transmitted to a receiving individual by this output. Also, validity/invalidity of printing of the electronic mail is returned to the transmitter.

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